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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

PERGAMENT & CEPEDA LLP,
EDWARD PERGAMENT, and
MILAGROS CEPEDA,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES SMALL
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION and
ISABELLA CASSILAS GUZMAN,

Defendants.

Hon. William J. Martini, U.S.D.J.
Hon. Cathy L. Waldor, U.S.M.J.

Civil Action No. 23-cv-21632

**APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION
OF TIME TO ANSWER, MOVE, OR
OTHERWISE REPLY UNDER
LOCAL CIVIL RULE 6.1(b)**

Application is hereby made for a Clerk's Order extending the time within which the United States Small Business Administration may answer, move, or otherwise reply to Plaintiff's Complaint (ECF No. 1). It is represented that:

1. The United States Small Business Administration has not previously obtained an extension.
2. Plaintiff served the United States Attorney's Office on January 8, 2024. ECF No. 7. The United States Small Business Administration's time to answer, move, or otherwise reply expires on March 8, 2024, under Rule 12(a)(2).

3. The United States Small Business Administration requests an extension to and including ***March 22, 2024***.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 6, 2024

ORDER

The above application is GRANTED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

MELISSA E. RHOADS, Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Clerk